

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1248 – HB 1191

April 15, 2013

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires persons who photograph or video a violation against livestock, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-14-202(a), to report such violation and submit any unedited photograph or video to law enforcement authorities within 24 hours.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006307): Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the photograph, digital image, or video must be intentionally recorded and the report and submission of the recording must occur within 48 hours instead of within 24 hours. Creates a Class C misdemeanor punishable by fine only for any violation.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to County Technical Assistance Service (CTAS) and Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS), the reporting requirement and submission of video or photography by witnesses to crimes committed against livestock will not result in any fiscal impact to local governments.
- It is estimated there will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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